

# Manly West State School

Active Minds, Bright Futures

## Newsletter



**NEWSLETTER – WEDNESDAY, 5 NOVEMBER 2014**

### Principal's Message

**Spread the word – State Schools are Great Schools!!**

**Boo! The Manly West SS Concert band played at the Halloween Festival.**



### What's Happened at the Book Fair?

Thanks so much to our super Library team – Jo Fritz and Kylie Blake – for co-ordinating an amazingly successful Book Fair. A highlight was author, Kate Forsyth sharing her stories and inspiring a new generation of writers. Congratulations to Nathan Elvery, overall winner of the fantasy writing competition.

### Class Co-ordinators' Meeting

Catch up for a chat and a cuppa at the Class Co-ordinators' final meeting for 2014. 9-10am this Friday, 7 November in the OSHC playroom. Younger children welcome.

### Mrs Mitchell's Super Softball Team!

Congratulations to the MWSS senior softball team who won the grand final last week against Wondall SS supported by their talented coach Mrs Mitchell.



### Prep Enrolments

If you have a child of prep age, and are in our school catchment, please ensure that you have completed the enrolment and other relevant forms. This ensures that you will receive an interview time with our Prep teachers and information about the step-up day, where children will meet their 2015 teachers and classmates. Interviews begin next Monday, 10 November.

### G20 Leaders' Summit Public Holiday

Similar to the Ekka public holidays, schools and businesses in the Brisbane City Council areas have been given a public holiday on **Friday, 14 November**. Please make alternate arrangements for your child/children that day.

Lisa Morrison, Principal

*Our aim - every child, in every classroom, every day, learning and achieving!*

### **From the Deputy's Desk**

This week on Parade we had a visit from special guest Scott, a Queensland Surf Life Saver from Northcliffe on the Gold Coast. Scott came along to speak to the students about the importance of beach safety, particularly swimming between the flags and signalling for help when at the beach. All students will be given a copy of Surf Life Saving Queensland's Beach Safe booklet.

### **From Around the School**

#### **Uniform Shop**

Expressions of interest are being sought for ordering our **new Manly West swimming costumes**. There are 2 styles available for girls and 1 style for boys. Please see Lyle at the Uniform Shop for further information.

#### **Swimming lessons aren't just about swimming...**

This weekend our two school swimming clubs, Manly West Manta Rays and Wynnum Wahoos come together to battle it out for the Wynnum Cup. Swim your best everyone!

Of course, it's not all about swimming faster. As we say to everyone we meet, it's really about giving the kids confidence and self-esteem. The skills just follow. This is the really rewarding part of what we do. Building up the kids who aren't confident. Perhaps they don't play ball sports, perhaps they're just not all that fit. In the pool it doesn't matter. It's an individual sport that anyone can succeed in with the right encouragement and that's what our swimming community is all about - lifting kids up and giving them the confidence and self-esteem to do things they didn't think they could. If you haven't dropped in to swim club or one of our sessions, come on in and say hi. Watching the kids having fun in the water (and watching the parents smile when they do something new) is great for the soul. We hope to see you there sometime. Matthew, Rachel and the team – [swim@baysideswimschool.com.au](mailto:swim@baysideswimschool.com.au) | [www.baysideswimschool.com.au](http://www.baysideswimschool.com.au) | 0448 434 885 | [www.facebook.com/baysideswimschool](http://www.facebook.com/baysideswimschool)

### **Bunnings BBQ for Manly West SS Chaplaincy – Help required!**

This Saturday, 8 November, Chappy is running a sausage sizzle at Bunnings Manly West to raise money for the chaplaincy program at Manly West State School. It would be great to see as many families and friends as possible dropping by for a sausage and drink.

For this sausage sizzle to run effectively, Chappy needs about 20 volunteers throughout the day for about 2 hours each. The time slots for these are:

8am-10am (2 more needed)  
10am-12pm (3 or 4 more needed)  
2pm-4pm (4 or 5 needed)  
(12pm-2pm has been covered)

If you are able to help out, please contact Chappy Taidhg by emailing him at [taidhgr@chappy.org.au](mailto:taidhgr@chappy.org.au). Hope to see many of you there for some delicious sausages!

Many thanks, Chappy Taidhg

### **Book Fair**

Congratulations to all our winners and a big thank you to all the families who supported this year's Book Fair. It was a great success, raising just over \$4000.

### **Find the Bookworms Competition**

Prep	Lola Brown	Yr 4	Daniella Bedford
Yr 1	Billy Haydon	Yr 5	Lilah Wendt
Yr 2	Liliarna Edwards	Yr 6	Constandina Karataraki
Yr 3	Jordan Long	Yr 7	Banjo Lane

### **Fantasy Drawing**

Winner Ollie Hacon  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lana Holt

### **Fantasy Story, chosen by Author Kate Forsyth**

Winner Nathan Elvery  
2<sup>nd</sup> Olivia Turner

### **Sport Report**

One of the sports that were available this term for interschool sport was Softball. The teams were coached by Mrs Mitchell and the senior team had a successful season, going through to win the Grand Final 22 to 7 against Wondall Heights SS. The winning pennant will be proudly displayed in the school office. Thank you to Mrs Mitchell for giving up her Friday afternoons to coach our team and to help us learn a new sport and many new skills.

*Cameron Blake & Regan Webb, 7B*

### **School Banking**

The Commonwealth Bank are running a promotion where students can be in the running to win a GoPro Hero3 Camera or a Slip 'n Slide Wave Rider. Simply make a deposit between now and 30 November to automatically be entered into the competition. The more times they deposit, the more chances they have to win (up to a max of 6).

### **From the P&C**

**Final Meeting for 2014: Thursday, 20 November** at 6.30pm in the Admin Block and to finish up our successful year we are having a cheese & wine night. Come along and say hi to your P&C team.

### **Family Portrait Fundraiser: Saturday, 15 November**

Book your Julien Star Photography photo portrait slot today! See flyer for more details. Fill out your contact details and pay just \$20 and you will receive a FREE Professional family studio shoot and a 10" x 8" photograph worth \$95. All monies raised will go towards our wonderful school Tuckshop. We must have 25 families sign up for this special offer to proceed.

### **Fete News**

Come and be part of our next **fete planning team on Monday, 10 November & Monday, 1 December** 1.30pm-2.30pm. We need volunteers to help gather sponsorship and prizes for our major raffle. Do you know any companies or individuals who would like to be our major sponsors for our WOW Festival? Meet at the school office or contact our fete convenor Rosie O'Toole at [pandcsecretary@manlywestss.eq.edu.au](mailto:pandcsecretary@manlywestss.eq.edu.au)

### **Dance Program Finale: Wednesday, 10 December**

The P&C will be running a Christmas stall at the Dance Finale where glowsticks and Christmas gifts will be available to purchase from the Performing Arts Hall canteen.

### **Book Covers**

The P&C can highly recommend EZ Cover for easy affordable book covers for your child's books in 2015. All covers cost \$1.20 each. Select Manly West State School from the drop-down box at check out and then enter the promo code ZFA186 and our school will receive 10 cents per book cover bought. See attached flyer for more details or check out their website at [www.ezcover.net.au](http://www.ezcover.net.au)

### **Community News**

#### **World's Greatest Shave**

In April this year, one of our wonderful mums was diagnosed with cancer and beat it! Now she would like to give back to those who have not been so lucky and raise some much needed funds towards helping fight this terrible disease. In March next year, at Amcal Max Capalaba, Eleny will shave her hair off in support of this great cause. If you would like to sponsor Eleny, please follow the link [my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/elenykatheklakis](http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/elenykatheklakis)

### **Calendar**

#### **Every Monday**

Dance Cart Program, Prep to Year 7

#### **Wednesday, 5 November**

Child Aware Parent Information Session, 6-7pm

#### **Monday, 10 to Thursday, 13 November**

Prep 2015 Interviews

#### **Friday, 14 November**

G20 Summit Public Holiday

#### **Thursday, 20 November**

All Groups Music Concert, 7-8.15pm  
P&C Meeting, 6.30pm